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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Martin SUGÁR and Robert SCHMUCKER

SERIAL NO. : To Be Assigned

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FOR : USE OF DETERGENT SUBSTANCES SELECTED FROM THE
GROUP OF N-ACYLAMINO ACIDS AND THE SALTS OF N-
ACYLAMINO ACIDS FOR ENHANCING THE
COMPATIBILITY OF COSMETIC OR DERMATOLOGICAL
CLEANSING PREPARATIONS

ART UNIT : To Be Assigned

EXAMINER : To Be Assigned

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Insert as the first sentence: — This application is a 371 of PCT/EP99/06113, which was

filed on August 20, 1999. —

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